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H. R. 1441

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 12, 2007

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services

AN ACT

To strengthen controls on the export of surplus parts for
F-14 fighter aircraft.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. PROHIBITION ON SALE BY DEPARTMENT OF**
2 **DEFENSE OF PARTS FOR F-14 FIGHTER AIR-**
3 **CRAFT.**

4 (a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following find-
5 ings:

6 (1) The Department of Defense is responsible
7 for demilitarizing and auctioning off sensitive sur-
8 plus United States military equipment.

9 (2) F-14 “Tomcat” fighter aircraft have re-
10 cently been retired, and their parts are being made
11 available by auction in large quantities.

12 (3) Iran is the only country, besides the United
13 States, flying F-14 fighter aircraft and is pur-
14 chasing surplus parts for such aircraft from brokers.

15 (4) The Government Accountability Office has,
16 as a result of undercover investigative work, declared
17 the acquisition of the surplus United States military
18 equipment, including parts for F-14 fighter aircraft,
19 to be disturbingly effortless.

20 (5) Upon the seizure of such sensitive surplus
21 military equipment being sold to Iran, United States
22 customs agents have discovered these same items,
23 having been resold by the Department of Defense,
24 being brokered illegally to Iran again.

1 (6) Iran is pursuing a nuclear weapons capa-
2 bility, and the Department of State has identified
3 Iran as the most active state sponsor of terrorism.

4 (7) Iran continues to provide funding, safe
5 haven, training, and weapons to known terrorist
6 groups, including Hizballah, HAMAS, the Palestine
7 Islamic Jihad, and the Popular Front for the Lib-
8 eration of Palestine.

9 (8) The sale of spare parts for F-14 fighter
10 aircraft could make it more difficult to confront the
11 nuclear weapons capability of Iran and would
12 strengthen the ground war capability of Iran. To
13 prevent these threats to regional and global security,
14 the sale of spare parts for F-14 fighter aircraft
15 should be prohibited.

16 (b) PROHIBITION ON SALE BY DEPARTMENT OF DE-
17 FENSE.—

18 (1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
19 provision of law and except as provided in paragraph
20 (2), the Department of Defense may not sell (wheth-
21 er directly or indirectly) any parts for F-14 fighter
22 aircraft, whether through the Defense Reutilization
23 and Marketing Service or through another agency or
24 element of the Department.

Passed the House of Representatives June 11, 2007.

Attest: LORRAINE C. MILLER,
Clerk.